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State of Utah Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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-=-= **MEMORANDUM** =-=-

TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Chris Parker, Division Director

William Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications & Water Section

Shauna Benvegnu-Springer, Utility Analyst

DATE: March 22, 2018

SUBJECT: Lifeline Reimbursement for Owest Corporation dba CenturyLink OC

RE: Docket 17-999-05

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) has reviewed and conducted a desk audit of the Semiannual Lifeline Report and Request for Reimbursement of Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC (Company), pursuant to Rule R746-341-8, for the period of July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. The Division finds that the amounts claimed are reasonable and justified. The desk audit included a review of the amounts and numbers submitted on the invoice, a comparison to previous reports, and a comparison of information from the Department of Workforce Services (DWS) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC).

The Company did not request reimbursement for administrative, advertising, voucher and other program expenses. The Company did not request reimbursement for interest revenue on the Lifeline funds. No outreach efforts were reported due to the agreement with DWS, Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) and the Division.

The Division recommends that the Commission disburse from the Utah Universal Service Fund the amount equal to discounts provided to eligible subscribers of \$55,545.00 and mail to:

QWEST CORPORATION Attention: Lisa Grantham Director Separations/Regulatory Finance 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, LA 71203

cc: William S. Odom, CenturyLink QC Confidential Attachment (1)

